The Microsoft problem can be summed up in one simple statement:

Microsoft should be allowed to run their business any way they want to ... as long as they allow others to run their businesses any way they want to.

The problem with Microsoft is that they force themselves on the world to a ridiculous extent. They bully their way along in everything they do. They are predatory toward anything that is in any way competitive or potentially competitive toward them.

Computers and their operation are so crucially important to virtually everyone today that it is a crime for anyone to try to dominate how things have to be done on computers. That is what Microsoft does. They do everything possible to force users into using Microsoft products. Even though I am "forced" to use a Microsoft operating system on two of my four computers, I do everything that I possibly can to try to minimize the extent to which I have to use anything Microsoft. But it is frustrating when Microsoft intentionally designs their basic operating system so that only Microsoft-based and Microsoft-dependent applications will run on their operating system and will run only on their operating system.

Others are making a valiant effort to try to find ways around the problem, but Microsoft continues to bully their way along so that those without comparable resources can never adequately overcome all of the intrusiveness that Microsoft imposes upon the world.

It is a travesty of incomprehensible proportions, and we can only hope and pray that the anti-trust suit will bring some relief to this untenable intrusion into our freedoms.

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